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BLM TO BURN SLASH PILES NEAR CLANCY, MONTANA CITY, BOULDER, AND RADERSBURG

BUTTE (October 25, 2004) – Residents in the Montana City, Clancy, Boulder, and Radersburg areas may notice smoke from slash piles as the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) completes several forest projects. Burning will be accomplished in several areas south of Helena during the month of November as weather permits. Smoke will be visible during burning and possibly for several days after.

Specifically, burning will take place on BLM land in the Lump Gulch and Jackson Creek area visible from Montana City and Clancy. The slash is a result of a wildland urban interface fuels reduction project and a timber sale.

In an area northeast of Boulder, slash from a forest health improvement project will be burned in the Rawhide drainage.

Finally, slash piles will be burned in the Johnny Gulch area southwest of Radersburg, another forest health improvement project.

For more information on these projects, contact John Thompson or Charles Tuss at the BLM, Butte Field Office, (406) 533-7600.

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